

House Resolution No. 82

Whereas, it is with heavy hearts that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the significant achievements of a life gone by, that of Annette Noble Morgan, who passed to her eternal reward on December 18, 2001; and

Whereas, one of the first women to wield true power as a committee chairwoman in the Missouri House of Representatives, Annette Morgan sponsored major education reform legislation and championed quality education for Missouri's public schoolchildren throughout her successful career as a State Representative of Kansas City's 39th District that spanned an impressive sixteen years, and

Whereas, wanting Missouri's public school students to reach their highest potential, Annette Morgan played a key role in designing the Excellence in Education Act of 1985, and co-sponsored and managed House debate on the landmark Outstanding Schools Act, which gave all local school districts the same opportunity for state funds and was signed into law by then-Governor Mel Carnahan in 1993; and

Whereas, Annette Morgan was born and raised in Kennett, Missouri, as the daughter of proud and loving parents John and Alletha Noble, both of whom were lawyers and teachers; and as the granddaughter of John Bradley, who served on the Missouri Supreme Court and the Springfield Court of Appeals; and

Whereas, a Democrat who followed in the footsteps of her father, a former state senator from Kennett, Annette Morgan distinguished herself as a leader in the state legislature where her decisiveness and integrity both in and out of the Chamber served as a shining example for others to follow; and

Whereas, Annette Morgan initiated legislation that authorized the first 24-hour skilled nursing facility in the Midwest for HIV-AIDS patients; and

Whereas, Annette Morgan was a kind, compassionate woman who reached out to people from all walks of life through her knowledge as an educator, her experience as a legislator, and her faith as an elder and trustee at Covenant Presbyterian Church:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in paying final tribute to Annette Morgan, a devoted wife, proud mother, remarkable legislator, and genuine friend to all who will be sadly missed by those who had the distinct pleasure of knowing and loving her; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the loved ones of the late Annette Noble Morgan, as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

Offered by _____
Representative Marsha Campbell
District No. 39

Representative Tim Van Zandt
District No. 38

I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do

certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 82, adopted January 22, 2002.

Jim Kreider, Speaker

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